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SUBJ: VISIT OF UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE BAKER

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1. DR. MEHRAN'S OFFICE HAS NOW INFORMED US THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE MEETINGS FOR UNDER SECRETARY BAKER WITH OFFICIALS REQUESTED (REFTEL B) AS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 IS DAY OF DEEPEST MOURNING (ONE OF MOST IMPORTANT RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY IN IRAN). DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOBER AND COUNSELOR BREWIN HAVE APPOINTMENT WITH MEHRAN AT 4:00P.M. SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT WHICH TIME SUBJECT OF BAKER APPOINTMENTS DURING TWO-DAY MEETINGS WILL BE DISCUSSED. IN ANY EVENT, MEHRAN INDICATED THAT MEETING WITH ANSARY UNLIKELY.

2. SCHEDULE CONSISTS OF VISIT TO TRADE CENTER AND MEETINGS WITH MEMBERS ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SECTION AND TRADE CENTER STAFFS ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

3. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29--BREAKFAST MEETING OF U.S. DELEGATION (IF DESIRED BY CHAIRMAN), OPENING SESSION OF MEETING, LUNCHEON BREAK, AFTERNOON SESSION, EVENING DINNER AT 8:30 P.M. IN HILTON HOTEL HOSTED BY DOCTOR MEHRAN.

4. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 -- SAME AS MONDAY WITH PROVISION THAT EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT ADVISABLE IN VIEW OF MEHRAN'S UNCLASSIFIED

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HOSPITALITY BAKER'S INTRODUCTION TO JOINT COMMISSION, EXCEPTIONAL HOSPITALITY OFFERED TO HOUSING STUDY GROUP IN IRAN SEPTEMBER 13-23 THAT U.S. RECIPROCATATE HOSPITALITY. FACILITIES IN HILTON ARE AVAILABLE EVENING SEPTEMBER 30 FOR DINNER. WE

WILL ORGANIZE UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE. PLEASE PROVIDE NECESSARY FISCAL DATA PER PROCEDURE FOLLOWED FOR FEBRUARY MEETING.

5. MEHRAN'S OFFICE HAS PROMISED LIST OF IRANIAN DELEGATES AND FIRM SCHEDULE IN NEXT DAY OR TWO BUT MEHRAN'S ABSENCE SEPTEMBER 23-26 IN JORDAN AND LIKELIHOOD OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF CABINET CHANGES BEFORE END OF THIS WEEK MAY CAUSE SLIPPAGE UNTIL DAY OR TWO PRIOR TO MEETING.

6. REQUEST DEPT. PROVIDE REVISED AGENDA INCLUDING COMMENTS PROVIDED BY MEHRAN'S OFFICE VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE TO UNDER SECRETARY BAKER. (COPY OF COMMERCIAL CABLE PROMISED TO EMBASSY DURING SEPTEMBER 3 MEETING WITH MEHRAN NOT YET FORTHCOMING.)
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